

Opomyza laticauda Aud.
= Vireo

Prof. Oliver

Dear

Harvard University
Cambridge, Mass., U.S.

["Mt "Boston" That in the
address delays my letters in
Boston often to next day."]]

Oct. 16, 1865.

My dear Prof. Oliver,

Many thanks for your very
kind note in reply to mine, asking
about the last days of Sir William &
after Dr. Hooker.
As you thought, I had received
a good letter from Mrs. Hooker. Mr.
Bentham also wrote by same post
with yours.

Now let me thank you for yours
of Sept. 12. I shall be so glad
to get every thing you send me
from the Sandwich Islands, - in the
history of which I am much
interested; but when those of
Stillebrand reach me, I will, if
I can, identify any species you may
not have done with any described by
or known to me. I shall help any

Professor H. Mann, in the study
of the collection he has made, &
in the preparation of a Cat. Pls.
Sandwic. - which he will
undertake.

It is only now
that he has got all his collections
together. To avoid distraction
I declined to let him bring here
any, till he had sorted them all, &
could bring them family by family,
So, though he had spoken to me
of the Sandwich Ids., Peperomia
- of which you also write, - I
have not yet seen it. I will
now see this Peperomia, and of
course will have specimens for
your Herb., of this and all other things
Mann has, which you would
care to have.

The only plant of Mann's I
have seen, is a spec. of Compos-
mentisicæ - arborescent, which
Mann is confident neither Willd.
or any one else ever collected.

I propose to call it Stespero-
mannia; for I presume
there is a Mannia of Africa.

If I am right in this give me
a reference to it, and to the author,
and tell me what you will do
with the Peperomia.

Did you get the tubers of the
Momphaea tuberosa, Paine, which
I sent by Mr. Putnam?

I find that though most
of its seeds, ^{fully} ripe, have only
the vestige of an embryo - some have
fruits have it $\frac{1}{3}$ or $\frac{1}{2}$ the length
of the seed, and a few enclosing it.

We will look after it next year.

Ever, dear Dr. Oliver

Yours sincerely
Aschmann